Fly in my Email 12/8/2019 - Red Eye Dragon Streamer by Dennis Stead

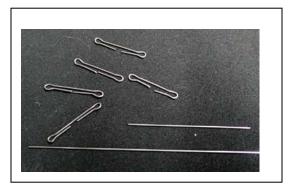


I want to create a fly with a lot of movement that I could use for Trout and Bass. I am going to try it as a dropper fly off my main fly for white bass. A fly with the hooks up so they would not get hooked on the bottom.

Materials

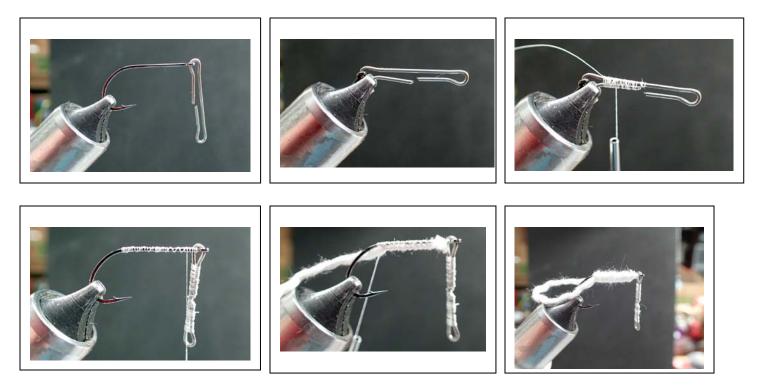
Hooks: Gamakastsu B10S Hook sizes: 4, 6 Thread: UNI-Thread 6/0 or 8/0 White Eyes: Barbell eyes, Medium 13/16, 5.0mm, 1/25 oz Line: Microfilament Braided line 30 lb test Wire: Thickness .020 or .025 inch Body and Tail: White Softball Yarn .75 Paint: Glitter Finish Acrylic Paint (2796E Hologram)

Start by cutting your wire for the articulated body about 1.75" in length. Bend the wire to make two loops.





I will use two hooks with the larger one, size 4, in the front one with the eyes and the small, size 6, in the back with the tail. Insert the articulating wire to the rear hook. Then remove the hook and clamp your vise on the wire. The thread will close the gap on each eye. Then add a little of Dave's Flex cement to the threads. (Later, I am going to try a smaller version by using a size 6 as the large one and a size 8 as the smaller one.)

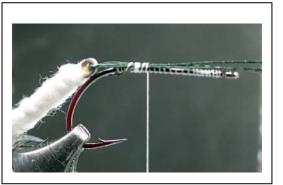


Now insert the hook and tie on the softball yarn (Tie it like you are tying the Bed Spread Fly). Do the same for the articulated wire.





Insert the large hook in your vise. Cut a piece of braided line and put it through the articulated eye and attach it to the hook. Tie on the eye and bring the braided line back over the eye and secure it with thread.





Now tie on your softball yarn. Cut the three tail loops and remove the threads that hold on the soft combed cotton. If you need a little more detail on this, see the Bed Spread fly on our web site.

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I like to add a red collar for the gills. Then I coat the head with hologram extreme glitter paint. The paint dries in an hour and dries clear.

